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**Sent:** Tue 9/16/2014 7:43:29 PM  
**Subject:** Heads up from NBB

Byron,

Hope you are well and again congratulations on finalizing the QAP rule.

As with all involved projects – we have a number of questions. We noticed a handful of questions and issues we would like clarified and would like to work with your team to discuss the best way to do so.

NBB will filing an Petition for Reconsideration later today (today is the deadline) ... for the purpose of preserving our right as it relates to the process ... our goal here is to work with you on discussing and clarifying how to proceed on each issue highlighted in the Petition.

I expect we will call you next week to set up a follow up meeting.

Thank you and we appreciate your commitment to the QAP.

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September 9, 2014

The Honorable Barack Obama  
President  
United States of America  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

When Congress passed a strengthened Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) in 2007, Iowa responded. The country's leading biofuel producing state has doubled production in the last six years and the industry now employs more than 70,000 Iowans. Iowa delivered almost as much fuel to Americans in 2013 as we imported from Iraq. Nationally, our industry displaced the need for the U.S. oil import equivalent of Saudi Arabia.

What often goes unnoticed is the fact that Iowa is also leading the charge when it comes to the commercial deployment of the lowest carbon fuel in the world: cellulosic ethanol. Iowa is home to the first wave of commercial scale cellulosic ethanol refineries in the country, with another project being commercialized simultaneously in nearby Kansas. Each of them will convert agricultural residue or municipal solid waste into clean burning fuel to power America's engines and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

In essence, the RFS gives the advanced biofuel industry an opportunity to break into a motor fuel supply chain dominated by oil interests. The long range policy certainty created by the RFS – together with your Administration's commitment to the industry – made it possible for our companies to invest billions of dollars to commercialize our technologies and build the most innovative refineries in the world.

But late last year, your Administration reversed course. In a rule not yet finalized, EPA is proposing to not only cut the amount of renewable fuel in America's gasoline supply but also fundamentally change how the RFS is administered and how annual targets are calculated for 2014, 2015 and beyond. Instead of basing the targets on our industry's ability to produce and deliver fuel, the proposal would allow the targets to be reduced if the oil industry refuses to make renewable fuels available to the consumer. The RFS attracted billions of dollars in private sector investment into cellulosic ethanol production because it changes this dynamic, by overrunning the restrictive contracts oil companies impose on distributors and retailers to discourage or block the use of renewable fuels. If the program moving forward reflects rather than mitigates the oil industry's unwillingness to market renewable fuel, the policy will cease to be effective and the cellulosic ethanol industry will develop overseas in Asia and South America.

While we are hearing that your Administration will increase the proposed renewable fuel targets in the final rule, your decision about how EPA derives these targets every year is far more important to investors. The current EPA proposal froze investment in cellulosic ethanol not because of the 2014 targets; but rather, because it is not clear whether oil companies will be obligated to hit any annual RFS targets going forward. If the proposed methodology is not fixed in the final rule, the United States will no longer be the global leader for advanced biofuel investment and the 2014 rule will have inadvertently done more than your worst critics have to harm a low carbon industry you have always championed.

While the current proposal has already curtailed investment and delayed projects, there is still time to get the RFS back on track. Investments that you made during your first term are ready for deployment. The question at hand is whether the return on investment will flow predominantly to the United States, or whether countries like China and Brazil will reap the economic and environmental rewards of technologies pioneered in America. Again, the key to success is preserving the original intent of the program that flexibly but resolutely forces oil companies to introduce low carbon, renewable fuels into the U.S. motor fuel pool.

Back in 2007, you said "the road to change begins in Iowa." We still believe that the Midwest holds the key to our energy future. You have the opportunity, with this rule, to shape our national energy and climate future for decades to come. And we are here to help you achieve your goals.

Sincerely,



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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Delayne Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Delayne" and last name "Johnson" clearly distinguishable.

Delayne Johnson  
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Good Morning- First thank you Paul for the discussion yesterday regarding the questionable statement provided by EPA to OPIS in regards to the proposal to offer E15 in the Chicago area. It's unfortunate that it has taken EPA over 3 weeks to respond to my inquiry and your questionable quote was used again yesterday by OPIS on the same topic. (Article attached: Proposed E15 Mandate Remains in Limbo.)

Second, I have also attached here the official statement from USEPA on underground storage tanks given to OPIS (See attached: Follow UP with OPIS Re: Chicago City Council Proposal/ E15.) I believe your statement to be completely unfounded and misleading that "all of them..." referring to underground storage tanks are incompatible with E15. I have been requesting EPA provide the technical evidence to support such a statement or correct the record from this misleading and damaging statement. Please let me know how I can help you. KM.

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**Sent:** Mon 9/8/2014 5:37:27 PM  
**Subject:** FW: BIOFUELS UPDATE: \*\*\*Proposed E15 Mandate Remains in Limbo

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From: opisethanol@opisnet.com  
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\*\*\*Proposed E15 Mandate Remains in Limbo

What could be the first-ever E15 mandate has stalled in a committee of the Chicago City Council.

The council's finance committee tabled a proposal to require the city's self-serve gas stations to offer E15, a blend of 15% ethanol with gasoline. The committee chairman called for a recess after five hours of testimony at a meeting in late July.

A spokesman for the committee had said the matter "is still under consideration" but it would need to be voted on and recommended by the committee to go to the full council.

The finance committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, Sept. 8, and the issue is not on the agenda.

On June 25, Aldermen Edward Burke and Anthony Beale proposed legislation requiring all self-service gas stations in Chicago to offer E15.

The U.S. EPA told Oil Express the mandate would have little impact on Chicago gas stations because "all of them except stations offering E85" lack compatible underground storage tank systems.

The legislation exempts stations that sell less than 500,000 gal/year or that have tanks incompatible with a 15% ethanol blend.

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**Subject:** Follow Up with OPIS Re: Chicago City Council Proposal/E15

Happy Friday everyone – I e-mailed Rachel Gantz last night following up on this line from a recent OPIS report re: Chicago City Council Proposal/E15:

*Prior to the hearing, an EPA representative told OPIS the mandate would have little impact on Chicago gas stations because "all of them except stations offering E85" lack compatible underground storage tank systems.*

I also sent over the ICF International report entitled “Technical Analysis of the U.S. Retail Infrastructure for Ethanol Fuel Blends”.

Donna Harris of OPIS wrote the story and responded stating: “*The information on E15's compatibility with tank systems came from an official statement from the U.S. EPA.*” (statement is included below)

Please advise on how to move forward.

Dawn

**From:** Donna Harris [mailto:DHarris@opisnet.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 01, 2014 8:12 AM  
**To:** Dawn Moore  
**Cc:** Rachel Gantz; Kevin Adler  
**Subject:** FW: Need help before deadline. Go to press Thursday. Concerns SIP plan for Illinois/Chicago

Hi, Dawn,  
The information on E15's compatibility with tank systems came from an official statement from the U.S. EPA.  
I am interested in the information you sent on the infrastructure. This is definitely an issue.

Thanks,  
Donna Harris  
Oil Express

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**From:** Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 17, 2014 10:13 AM  
**To:** Donna Harris  
**Subject:** RE: Need help before deadline. Go to press Thursday. Concerns SIP plan for Illinois/Chicago

**Here's our response. Attributable to U.S. EPA:**

**RESPONSE:** We believe it will not have much impact on Illinois's SIP. The exemptions in Chicago's proposed requirement would limit its statute's effectiveness to a handful of stations at most (i.e. they have exemptions for retail stations that don't have compatible underground storage tank systems, which is all of them except stations offering E85). As long as the E15 requirement is not being considered for vehicle emission control purposes, then there likely is no preemption issue to be addressed by EPA in a SIP approval.

There is the possibility that there may be other SIP related issues. For instance, the State may have adopted some definitions or ASTM language in their state code and had that language incorporated into the SIP by reference. It could be that state code approved into the SIP and the new mandate are incompatible. This happened in Arizona where their own definitions of "fuel" precluded the use of E85 in the approved SIP. In that sense, OPIS should be asking Mike Rodgers with the State of Illinois whether their existing fuel regulations, and those approved into the SIP, are compatible with an E15 mandate.

However, as far as the air quality implications of the SIP go, States are required to model in use fuel so the State will have to take into account any E15 RFG fuel utilized when they conduct their emissions modeling.

**From:** Donna Harris [<mailto:DHarris@opisnet.com>]  
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**To:** Jones, Enesta  
**Subject:** RE: Need help before deadline. Go to press Thursday. Concerns SIP plan for Illinois/Chicago

Thursday morning. Thanks! Got to run downtown to a meeting.

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Deadline?

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Hi,  
I write for Oil Price Information Service, which serves the downstream oil industry, and the city of Chicago is considering mandating that all gas stations in Chicago that sell at least 500,000 gallons of gasoline a year and that have a tank system that is compatible with ethanol blends make available E15, a blend of 15% ethanol with gasoline, to the public. It is in the early proposal phase but the first of its kind mandating the sale of E15, which though federally approved is controversial.  
Some industry sources told me that if Chicago tried to require gas stations to sell E15 that Illinois would

have to change its Clean Air Act State Implementation Plan (SIP). Chicago is a non-attainment area. Can you find out if this is true? If it is true that the state would have to change its SIP to accommodate such an ordinance then what channels would it go through and how long could it take? Is this the only proposed E15 mandate that you know of?

Thanks for your help.

Donna Harris,

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August 11, 2014

Ms. Enesta Jones  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office of Media Relations  
Via email: [jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:jones.Enesta@epa.gov)

Dear Ms. Jones,

I am writing to follow up to a story published by Oil Price Information Service (OPIS) on Tuesday July 29, 2014 titled, "BIOFUELS UPDATE: Chicago's E15 Mandate Tabled after Public Hearing." The OPIS story detailed the recent hearing held in Chicago on the proposal for certain area retail fuel marketers to make E15, a 15% denatured fuel ethanol/ 85% unleaded gasoline fuel blend, available to consumers. OPIS informed us that US EPA provided the following official comment on this topic on Thursday July 17, 2014:

The exemptions in Chicago's proposed requirement would limit its statute's effectiveness to a handful of stations at most (i.e. they have exemptions for retail stations that don't have compatible underground storage tank systems, which is all of them except stations offering E85)<sup>1</sup>.

We believe this statement to be false and without foundation and we would respectfully request the Agency to provide the following information. Has EPA completed a technical assessment of the Chicago area Underground Storage Tank (UST) systems and confirmed that "**all of them** except stations offering E85" (referring to UST systems) are not compatible with E15?

We believe the majority of the UST systems in the Chicago metro area to be compatible with E15. There are technical resources to support our position including an analysis completed at the request of US EPA in April of 2013 by ICF International<sup>2</sup>. ICF International reviewed multiple state UST inventory data followed by cross referencing the UST inventory with known compatibility statements from equipment manufacturers. ICF International's summary statement from the report:

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<sup>1</sup> Oil Price Information Service media publication, July 29, 2014 titled: BIOFUELS UPDATE: Chicago's E15 Mandate Tabled after Public Hearing.

<sup>2</sup> "Technical Analysis of the U.S. Retail Infrastructure for Ethanol Fuel Blends" Prepared for: Environmental Protection Agency Office of Transportation and Air Quality, April 2013. EP-C-12-011.

The weighted average of the data indicates approximately 75% of stations have at least one UST which could store E15 or E85, and that each station has approximately 2.3 USTs.

Another technical resource for UST compatibility with ethanol comes from the Steel Tank Institute. According to STI, "steel tanks are compatible with all ethanol and biodiesel blends."<sup>3</sup> Further, a recent presentation by the National Association of Convenience Stores (NACS)<sup>4</sup> states Underground Storage tank compatibility:

- All steel tanks are compatible with E100 (Steel Tank Institute)
- Fiberglass tanks by manufacturer
  - Containment Solutions- all tanks UL listed to E100
  - Xerxes- E100 approved by manufacturer for:
    - Single all tanks manufactured July 2005
    - Double wall tanks after April 1990

Obviously, there is a huge discrepancy between EPA's "all" of the USTs in the Chicago area are incompatible and the technical assessments from ICF International, Steel Tank Institute and the National Association of Convenience Stores. Again, please provide the technical resources to corroborate your position that NO (zero) underground storage tanks in the Chicago metro are compatible with E15. If no foundation for the statement exists, we would ask that you correct the statement for the Chicago Assembly that may have read your remarks and concluded erroneously that there is no existing infrastructure to accommodate E15. Thank you in advance for your assistance. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [kmoore@ethanolrfa.org](mailto:kmoore@ethanolrfa.org) or via telephone at (309) 830-6154.

Respectfully,



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<sup>3</sup> "Steel Facts". Number 2, Steel Tank Institute, 2012.

<sup>4</sup> National Association of Convenience Stores presentation "Questions About Infrastructure."



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**Sent:** Wed 9/3/2014 9:05:50 PM  
**Subject:** Re: EPA Official Statement

Kristy,  
I apologize for the delay.

Erin Birgfeld and Paul Argyropoulos, copied here, will be in touch with a response.

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On Sep 3, 2014, at 7:32 AM, "Kristy Moore" <KMoore@ethanolrfa.org> wrote:

Ms. Jones- I am growing weary waiting for a response to my request. When asked for a comment in July 2014 by OPIS on the Chicago consideration of E15, EPA was very quick (a few days??) with a response that "all" tanks were incompatible with E15. Now when questioned for the official reference to support such a claim, it has been weeks and I still have not gotten an answer to my request for the assessment that should be the basis for the Agency making this type of comment. Why am I not getting an answer to my request?

Do I need to take my questions to another person, such as Ms. Hoskinson the Director of OUST or Ms. McCarthy the Administrator, in the Agency to get an answer? Please provide an alternate contact ASAP if that is the case. KM.

**From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 8:32 AM  
**To:** Kristy Moore  
**Subject:** Re: EPA Official Statement

My apologies, Kristy. We are actively looking into this. I will be back in touch.

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On Aug 26, 2014, at 9:31 AM, "Kristy Moore" <[KMoore@ethanolrfa.org](mailto:KMoore@ethanolrfa.org)> wrote:

Good Morning Ms. Jones. I am surprised that I have not received a comment back from you as to your comments on USTs in Chicago that was over 2 weeks ago. When making a confirmative statement such as "all" of the tanks, this should be based on an investigation, documentation. All we are asking for is the investigation details used to develop such a statement. KM.

**From:** Kristy Moore  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 19, 2014 10:52 AM  
**To:** 'Jones, Enesta'  
**Subject:** RE: EPA Official Statement

Here's the original OPIS article with the EPA quote in the last paragraph. Sorry I had to get a copy from our Communications Director. KM.

**From:** Jones, Enesta [<mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 19, 2014 10:35 AM  
**To:** Kristy Moore  
**Subject:** Re: EPA Official Statement

Kristy,

Do you have the OPIS article handy?

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On Aug 19, 2014, at 11:16 AM, "Kristy Moore" <[KMoore@ethanolrfa.org](mailto:KMoore@ethanolrfa.org)> wrote:

Good Morning- Do you have any response for me yet? Thank you for your assistance here.  
KM.

**From:** Jones, Enesta [<mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 11, 2014 5:10 PM  
**To:** Kristy Moore  
**Subject:** Re: EPA Official Statement

Checking Kristy.

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On Aug 11, 2014, at 5:51 PM, "Kristy Moore" <[KMoore@ethanolrfa.org](mailto:KMoore@ethanolrfa.org)> wrote:

Ms. Jones- Good afternoon. Recently, you provided a statement to the Oil Price Information Service regarding the state of compatibility of the Chicago area underground storage tanks with ethanol blended fuels. We are requesting the official technical assessment/ resources to support this statement. Please review the attached letter and respond at your earliest convenience.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, my contact information is listed below here. KM.

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul[Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov]  
**From:** BIO Pacific Rim Summit  
**Sent:** Tue 9/2/2014 5:08:14 PM  
**Subject:** Housing and Registration Open

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**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul[Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov]  
**From:** Larry Schafer  
**Sent:** Tue 8/26/2014 3:56:55 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Catching up

You pick the time ...

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**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [mailto:Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:39 AM  
**To:** Larry Schafer  
**Subject:** RE: Catching up

Sure.

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**From:** Larry Schafer [<mailto:lschafer@biodiesel.org>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:38 AM

**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul

**Subject:** RE: Catching up

Lunch (or at least beer)?

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**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [<mailto:Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:37 AM

**To:** Larry Schafer

**Subject:** RE: Catching up

Yes.

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**From:** Larry Schafer [<mailto:lschafer@biodiesel.org>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:36 AM

**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul

**Subject:** RE: Catching up

Are you working on Friday?

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**From:** Argyropoulos, Paul [<mailto:Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Monday, August 11, 2014 10:31 AM

**To:** Larry Schafer

**Cc:** Anne Steckel

**Subject:** RE: Catching up

Hi Larry and Anne,

I can certainly check in with Chris on your request. His schedule is pretty tight over the next few weeks (both here and in Ann Arbor) however I'll see if he can offer up some times. However, he will be out of the office beginning next Thursday and not back in until the week of Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. It may be it will have to wait until his return. I'll see what's possible.

Thanks, Paul

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**From:** Larry Schafer [<mailto:lschafer@biodiesel.org>]

**Sent:** Monday, August 04, 2014 4:02 PM

**To:** Argyropoulos, Paul

**Cc:** Anne Steckel

**Subject:** Catching up

Paul,

Would like to see if there might be time in Chris's schedule to have lunch or coffee with Anne.

They have not had much if any opportunity to communicate directly with each other and thought we would extend an invitation to Chris.

Please let me know, whether you think we can get them together during the next couple of weeks or so.

Thank you.



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